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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OVIP (VANCE, CYRUS), UK
SUBJECT: PRELIMINARY SCENARIO FOR THE SECRETARY'S VISIT
TO LONDON -- MARCH 31-APRIL 1, 1977

REFS: (A) STATE 57764 (B) STATE 54702 (C) LONDON 4300
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1. SCENARIO REQUESTED PARAGRAPH 2, REFTTEL A, CURRENTLY
IS AS FOLLOWS:

THURSDAY, MARCH 31 (PM)

5:00 ARRIVE HEATHROW AIRPORT (SOUTHSIDE
VIP SUITE), LONDON. SECRETARY GREET-
ED BY CHARGE RONALD I. SPIERS AND FCO
REPRESENTATIVE (NAME AND BIO TO FOLLOW
SEPTTEL WHEN CONFIRMED).

5:05 PHOTO CALL AND POSSIBLE ARRIVAL
STATEMENT AND BRIEF Q&A WITH PRESS
ASSEMBLED PLANESIDE (SEE PARAGRAPH 2

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BELOW).

5:10 DEPART HEATHROW IN MOTORCADE FOR
CLARIDGES HOTEL (DRIVING TIME: 45
MINUTES). ACCOMPANIED BY CHARGE.

5:55 ARRIVE CLARIDGES. GREETED BY HOTEL
GENERAL MANAGER B. LUND HANSEN, WHO
WILL ESCORT TO SUITE. STAFF TIME.

EVENING DINNER AND THEATER HOSTED BY FOREIGN
SECRETARY AND MRS. OWEN (TIME AND
LOCATIONS TO BE DETERMINED;SEE REFTEL
D).
RETURN TO CLARIDGES. RON.

FRIDAY, APRIL 1

(AM)

9:20 DEPART CLARIDGES FOR EMBASSY (WALKING
TIME: 10 MINUTES, DRIVING TIME: 8 MIN-
UTES).

9:30 ARRIVE EMBASSY. GREETED BY CHARGE.
MEET WITH EMBASSY STAFF (NOTE:IN REF C
WE PROPOSED THIS MEETING BE HELD AT
9:00 AM; HOWEVER, AS NEXT MEETING ON
SCHEDULE HAS SLIPPED TO 10:30 AM (REF
D), WE NOW SUGGEST THIS TIME).

10:00 STAFF TIME AVAILABLE, AND AMBASSADOR'S
OFFICE FOR SECRETARY'S USE.

10:15 DEPART EMBASSY FOR FCO (DRIVING TIME:
10 MINUTES), ACCOMPANIED BY CHARGE.

10:25 ARRIVE FCO. SECRETARY GREETED BY
FOREIGN SECRETARY OWEN, AND ESCORTED
TO MEETING SITE. NOTE: FCO'S PLANS,
IF ANY, FOR PHOTO CALL WITH FORSEC
WILL BE EXPLORED AND COVERED IN
SUBSEQUENT CABLE.

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10:30 MEETING WITH BRITISH

(PM)

12:30 WORKING LUNCHEON WITH BRITISH (VENUE UNKNOWN AT PRESENT). NOTE: FCO'S THOUGHTS ABOUT POSSIBLE PRESS ACTIVITY FOLLOWING LUNCHEON ARE BEING EXPLORED, AND WILL BE SUBJECT SEPTTEL.

2:00 DEPART DIRECTLY FROM FCO FOR HEATHROW SOUTHSIDE VIP SUITE IN MOTORCADE, ACCOMPANIED BY CHARGE (DRIVING TIME: 50 MINUTES).

2:50 ARRIVE HEATHROW. PHOTO CALL, AND POSSIBLE DEPARTURE STATEMENT (SEE PARAGRAPH 2 BELOW).

2:55 SPIERS AND FCO REP ESCORT SECRETARY TO RAMP, AND BID OFFICIAL FAREWELL.

3:00 WHEELS UP FOR PARIS (ORLY).

2. REQUEST DEPARTMENT ADVISE (A) NAMES OF INDIVIDUALS IN PARTY TO BE INCLUDED IN APRIL 1 MEETING AND LUNCHEON, (B) CONFIDENTIAL

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WHETHER SECRETARY AGREES TO MEET WITH EMBASSY STAFF ON MORNING APRIL 1, AND (C) IF SECRETARY WISHES TO MAKE FORMAL ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE STATEMENTS AT AIRPORT. FYI: ORDINARILY, PRESS STATEMENTS ARE NOT REQUIRED UNLESS THERE IS A FORMAL CEREMONY INVOLVING THE FOREIGN SECRETARY HIMSELF. IF NO FORMAL ARRIVAL STATEMENT AS PART OF SUCH CEREMONY IS PLANNED, SECRETARY MIGHT WANT TO CONSIDER ALTERNATIVE POSSIBILITY OF MAKING BRIEF INFORMAL STATEMENT TO ASSEMBLED PRESS AND TAKING A FEW QUZJBM THIS COULD BE USEFUL IF DESIRED BY SECRETARY DEPARTURE STATEMENT AND BRIEF Q&A AT PLANESIDE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ONLY IF SECRETARY BELIEVES FCO'S PLANS FOR PRESS ACTIVITY FOLLOWING LUNCHEON WITH FOREIGN SECRETARY ARE INADEQUATE. END FYI.

3. AS DISCUSSED PARAGRAPH 3, REFTTEL E, NO SEPARATE SCHEDULE BEING PREPARED FOR MRS. VANCE.

4. SINCE WE BELIEVE ONLY SECRETARY & MRS. VANCE WILL BE INCLUDED IN FOREIGN SECRETARY'S THEATER PARTY, EMBASSY WOULD LIKE TO BE INFORMED WHETHER OTHER MEMBERS OF PARTY HAVE ANY SPECIAL THEATER OR DINNER ARRANGEMENTS THEY WISH MADE.

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